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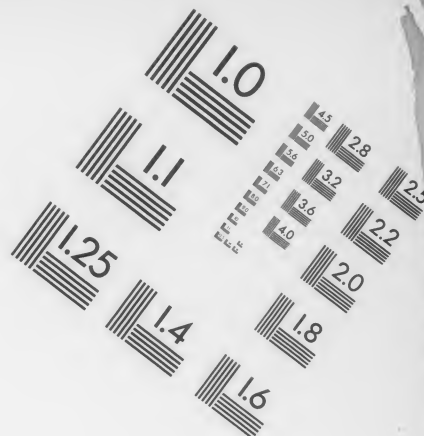
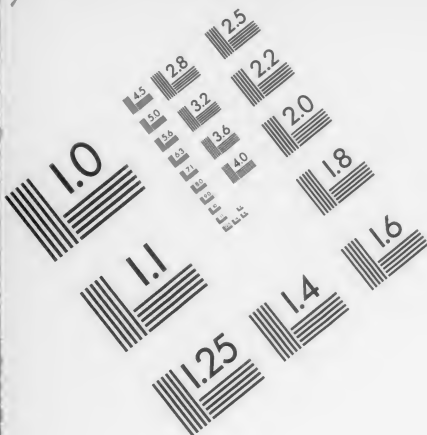


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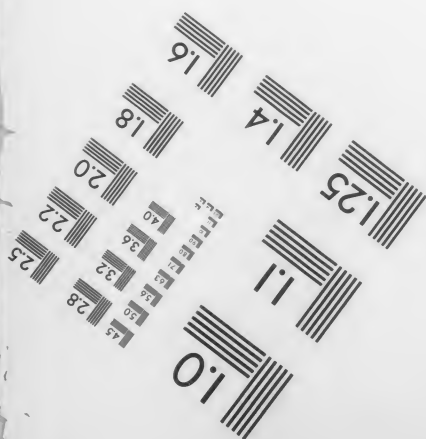
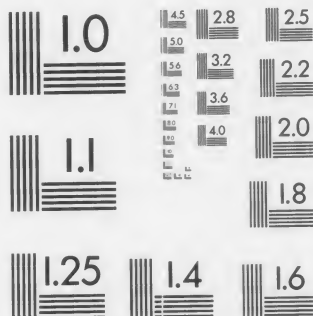
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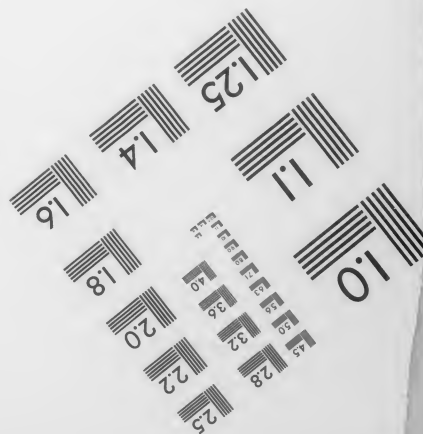
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Hints on Dog-Keeping.

No one should keep a dog unless he can give it proper food and exercise.

Chaining is a great cruelty—more especially to puppies or to young dogs. The cruelty can be lessened by giving the dog **long** runs daily.

Be careful that the dog's collar is not too tight for him, a tight collar causing throat disease and sometimes fits.

Kennels should be kept **warm** and **dry**, and supplied with clean straw or shavings for bedding, which should be changed daily. Kennels should **never be allowed to stand flat on the ground**, but should be placed on blocks of wood, or bricks, as unless thus raised they cannot be kept free from damp. They should not be allowed to stand in a draught, nor to face the sun in summer or the north or east in winter. It is damp and draught, not dry cold, which ruins a dog's health.

All dogs should be exercised for at least an hour daily, large dogs, if possible, double that time, but dogs should never on any account be allowed to follow a bicycle or electric car or any vehicle going at excessive speed. Apart from the danger of being run over by motors or kicked by horses, the exercise is too rapid and violent, and will overtax the lungs and the heart. Many a dog has dropped dead on the high road in his frantic efforts to keep pace with a bicycle or car.

Also it is a matter of common sense that if, through sheer fatigue, a dog drops behind in a strange place he must be lost.

Meat is a dog's natural food and should be given at least once daily. Fish, without bones, vegetables (not potatoes), bread, or biscuits soaked in gravy are good additions to a meal.

Some so-called dog biscuits are apt to bring eczema.

Large, not easily splintered, bones covered with scraps of meat should be given once or twice weekly.

Fish or poultry bones should never be given, as they are apt to splinter and stick in the dog's throat and pain or choke him.

Always be careful that a bowl of water, changed daily, is kept where the dog can get it.

Small short-haired dogs do not need washing. Brushing and rubbing daily with a damp, not wet, cloth will keep them clean and their skin healthy. Rheumatism, Bronchitis and Pneumonia are frequent results of improper washing.

Dogs can be more easily trained by gentle than by rough methods.

Some of the best trained dogs are those which have never been touched by a whip.

Never on any pretence beat a puppy.

It should never be forgotten that a kick to the ribs or side of a dog may cause severe internal disease. Also, a heavy blow with the hand on a dog's ear—a box on the ears—will produce canker in the ear.

Dog ailments should be promptly taken in hand so soon as they appear, and veterinary advice procured.

When a dog is lost the police should be *immediately* notified of the fact.

Dogs seized in the County of London are sent to the Dogs' Home, Battersea, where they are kept for *seven* days before they are sold or destroyed. Dogs seized in out-lying Metropolitan Police Districts are sent to various veterinary yards, the addresses of which will be furnished to dog-owners upon application to the local Police Station. The Police, both in town and country, are compelled by law to keep a stray dog for seven clear days before either selling or destroying it.

It is the duty of every dog owner, should accident or an incurable painful malady necessitate the destruction of a dog, to see himself that a painless death is given to the suffering animal. A dose of Prussic Acid (Scheele's freshly made, dose one drachm) is the surest, swiftest, and least painful death a dog can have. It is, however, imperatively necessary that the dog's master should be present and see the dose given, and thus ensure that the poison is fresh and of sufficient quantity, and that the animal is not terrified by strange treatment before it is administered.

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